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7 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
8 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

9 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

10 Plaintiff,

11 vs.

12 PEDRO LEPE-LEAL,

13 Defendant.
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Case No. 2:07-cr-00318-MMD-BNW

**Government's Motion to Dismiss Criminal
Indictment Pursuant to Federal Rule of
Criminal Procedure 48(a)**

15 The United States of America, by and through the undersigned attorney, respectfully
16 seeks leave of court pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 48(a) to dismiss the above-
17 captioned case against defendant Pedro Lepe-Leal in the interest of justice.

18 Defendant was indicted in the above case in 2007, with an arrest warrant pending since
19 that time. At the time of his indictment, the government had information that Defendant had
20 fled to Mexico. Defendant's location at this time is unknown and all efforts to locate him have

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1 been exhausted. Therefore, in the interests of justice and considering the advanced age of the
2 case, the government moves to dismiss at this time.

3 DATED: December 29, 2022.

4 Respectfully submitted,


5 JASON M. FRIERSON
6 United States Attorney

7 /s/ Christopher Burton
8 CHRISTOPHER BURTON
9 Assistant United States Attorney

10 The Court having reviewed the foregoing, and with good cause appearing, orders the
11 indictment dismissed and the warrant quashed.

12 IT IS SO ORDERED.

13 Dated: December 29, 2022

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15 Chief U.S. District Judge